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## DR. PENTECOST'S ADDRESS

At Congregational Church, on "The Church of the Living God"—Personal Statement

A good deal of interest was awakened in Dr. Pentecost's address at the Congregational Church last Sunday morning, and many neighbors turned out to hear him who are not in their pews every Sunday. Dr. A. T. Pierson was also on the platform, and took part in the service.

After a few introductory remarks by the pastor, expressing regret that Dr. Pentecost was soon to leave town and voicing the appreciation of the church for his services from time to time, Dr. Pentecost said he wished to correct the impression that he was going to deliver a farewell address.

Nearly half of my life has been spent in Northfield, he continued. I have loved the street, and the home, where I planted most of the trees and made it what it is. I leave it with profound regret. There I leave my tenderest joys, my sorest sorrows. I left my pastorate 34 years ago at the request of D. L. Moody to engage in evangelistic work. At his request I bought this home. I assisted in the founding of the schools, and gave the address at the laying of the cornerstone of the first Seminary building, Revell Hall. Mr. Moody sat with me in my home drafting the call to the first conference. Almost all the old friends have now gone—Mr. Sankey, Major Whittle, George C. Needham, Mr. Moody, Mr. Stebbins and I are about the only ones left.

I might say many things that would be of interest historically, but this is not the proper occasion. The main reason for my leaving is that I have sought another home nearer my future work and nearer my daughter's family.

The Church of the Living God.

Settling down to his sermon, Dr. Pentecost then spoke in part as follows:

To the world the church is a conventional institution, albeit admitted to be of some social and moral value. We might paraphrase Matthew Arnold's words in regard to Christianity and apply them to the church as viewed and estimated by the world: "The 19th century has outgrown Christianity, and yet the 19th century cannot do without Christianity." Not even Dr. Elliot's new religion can altogether be a substitute for it. It is still and always will be beloved of God, an elect body, the fore-ordained and chosen instrument for the display of His glory to men and angels and for the salvation of men and the uplifting of the whole world.

Coming through Ireland once I saw an old beggar woman sitting at the roadside, speechless. I turned after looking at her, and inquired:

"Why don't you ask me for something?"

"Shure, yer honor, if me rags and me misery don't ax you, no word of mine would touch yer heart."

So the heedless world, without God, without Christ, without hope; rich and increased in goods, yet poor and blind and naked; having need of everything the church of God stands for, is a challenge to the church for help and succor. What answer shall we give to the needy world about us?

The Answer of the Church.

The answer of the church is found in the message of God. "Go," said the angel to the liberated apostles, "and preach to the people all the words of this life." It is the message of His love and grace, of His eternal purpose of salvation and forgiveness to all men. God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing unto them their trespasses, but reckoning them to Jesus, who died for us, and rose again. It is the message of God's righteousness. Not saving men in their sins but from their sins. But righteousness is the one thing that the world is not possessed of, and God's message proclaims righteousness in Christ for us, and then the righteousness of Christ in us by the work of the Holy Spirit in regeneration and sanctification. For the delivery of this message

God has appointed all His people as witnesses and messengers. The formal preacher is in some especial manner the servant of Jesus Christ, and after that the servant of men for Jesus' sake, but the disciples at large are expected everywhere to preach Jesus, or at least to talk and live Jesus, so that the world may know the will of God in their salvation. The



GEORGE F. PENTECOST.

church is an orderly body, associated for life and service.

What the Church Is.

The apostle Paul likens the church both to a building and to a body: "A building fitly framed together and growing into a holy temple in the Lord, for an habitation of God through the Spirit"; "a body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth." Here is privilege, responsibility. As parts of a ship or an automobile are only of worth or service when they are assembled or articulated in their proper place, so the individual should be fitly framed into the church of God. All the material for the building of the beautiful Sage Chapel, all the stone, wood, iron and paint, might have been gathered on the campus, yet they would not be the chapel until they were framed together, each article in its place and doing its proper work.

If I have a message for you this morning, it is that the church is the depository and custodian of the saving truth of God. It is the great pillar on which the Gospel of salvation is nailed. It is like a trumpet sounding out the Gospel throughout the whole world; like a great organ on which the Gospel oratorio is rendered. The world is waiting for that music.

God answers the challenge of the world, Dr. Pentecost said in concluding, by the message, by the preacher, by the church, and by the Holy Ghost, who is given to accompanying the message, to endow the messengers, to awaken and regenerate and sanctify the hearers of the Gospel. He gave an eloquent testimony to his appreciation of his privileges as a minister of the Gospel after 50 years of service, and closed with prayer for the church.

Future Plans.

Dr. and Mrs. Pentecost expect to close their home about the end of the month, and reside hereafter in Darien, Conn., where he has built a house adjoining the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Judson Phillips. The doctor is planning to spend the winter in Boston, conducting Bible work under the auspices of the Evangelical Alliance.

Many are asking if the telegraph pole which mars the appearance of the grass plot on which the Belcher Fountain stands is to be removed. Perhaps the Telephone Company, which has hitherto shown itself ready to co-operate with the town authorities in the preservation of the beautiful aspects of the street, has already decided to take the initiative in this matter.

## GRANGE FAIR.

Everyone was delighted and proud of the fair, whether members of the grange order or not. The first impressions received on entering the Town Hall were distinctly pleasing. The three long tables of exhibits made a tasty display. The quantity and quality was fine. Everything worked smoothly, and the fair could easily be picked out by the passive critics they were.

All the town seemed to be out with a big delegation from Northfield and smaller contingents from Bernardston and other towns. Unitarian preachers attending conference were also present.

To describe everything in detail and give a full list of the exhibits would require a supplement, we must content ourselves with a summarized report.

CORN.—Prof. Ford of Amherst, judge. This was the star feature of the show, open to all corners. The exhibit was rather light, owing to the poor season, but the specimens shown were good. Prof. Ford took pains to describe the winning points, such as uniformity of rows, size and general appearance, equality of kernel, on which he based his awards. T. R. Callender got first prize in Yellow Dent corn, F. C. Parker 2nd, and E. O. Lee 3rd. F. E. Heald was first in Yellow Flint corn, H. H. Chamberlain 2nd, and L. O. Clapp 3rd. Specimens of King Philip and popcorn, white and red, were exhibited but not graded. In saving seed corn, Prof. Ford urged farmers to select regular ears that show the above qualities.

VEGETABLES.—W. L. Mann, of Warwick, judge. The collection was better than last year, larger variety, specimens remarkably perfect, but they were too crowded to appear at their best. R. D. Ware got first prize for his collection of exhibits. A cauliflower was shown which was of unusual size for a small fair. The potatoes made a splendid showing this year, but the onions were placed too near them and made their eyes weep. Several of the vegetables reminded us of the pictures in the seed catalog. The prizes were well distributed. The judge suggested that hereafter exhibitors should be more careful to put their names on every article, and also to christen the different vegetables right. Several exhibitors missed awards in classes where the rules called for at least two exhibits. If exhibitors send in at least two specimens in such classes they would be sure of the prizes. On account of the late date there was only one exhibit of sweet corn, and that not by a granger.

FRUITS.—F. E. Witherell of Warwick, judge. This was the most attractive feature of the fair. The apples were especially varied in type, and pleasant to the eyes. It was a most creditable showing. We never knew there were so many varieties of apples in town, and wish we could locate some of the trees when the owners are not around. The same remark applies to the peaches and grapes exhibited.

DAIRY EXHIBIT.—Mr. Cushman of Bernardston, judge. There were about seven exhibits still left when we reached the table—butter, eggs, and milk, as it were. An educational feature of this department was a demonstration of the Babcock test in the afternoon by Prof. Lockwood of the Amherst Experiment Station. Let us hope our milkman was present, and got wise.

FLOWERS.—Mrs. Witherell of Warwick, judge; Mrs. T. R. Callender in charge. These made a fine show on the platform, including choice specimens of dahlias, phlox, zinnias, asters, cosmos, and sweet peas.

POULTRY.—Joseph Field, judge. The poultry exhibits were placed in the northwest anteroom, where they could be heard and smelled but not seen. Competition was limited, and any old thing won a prize. L. O. Clapp, Miles Moore, Hazel Clapp, M. J. Moore, E. J. Howard, Minerva and Doris Chamberlain carried off the honors between them.

DOGS.—We only noticed one dog in the hall throughout the evening, and that happened to be a visitor.

CANNED GOODS.—Mrs. Cushman of Bernardston, judge; Mrs. Estabrook

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## AT SAN FRANCISCO

## President Taft Puts In Busy Day at Golden Gate

He is cheered by a throng which lined the principal streets for a distance of nearly three miles—Mr. Taft left the Cornerstone of the New Y. M. C. A. Building—

After spending some time in the office of the Mayor, President Taft left the San Francisco Tuesday morning, a throng which lined the streets to see him passing. He was accompanied by the President's party, and by the President's revenue cutter Golden Gate, which was a passenger ship.

On the bridge of the transport the Philippine constabulary band was drawn up and was playing "Hail to the Chief" as the President shouted across the water to the khaki-clad soldiery.

"Good-by, boys, I wish you a pleasant voyage."

"Answering cheers came back to the President."

"Does it make you feel home-sick, Mr. President?" asked a member of the President's party.

"Indeed it does," replied Mr. Taft, "and I would give anything if I were going with them."

The President reached the shores of San Francisco bay early in the day. It was foggy, but before 11 o'clock the sun shone brightly, and when the President reached San Francisco at 1 the day was one of splendor.

Berkeley had the honor of first welcoming the President. He was driven in an automobile to the Greek theatre of the university of California and made a brief address, in which he declared that ideals in popular government were a splendid thing to cultivate, but that the man at the helm must be content with a compromise, must accept his responsibility and "play the game."

From Berkeley Mr. Taft went to Oakland and made an address to an outdoor throng of several thousands. In both Berkeley and Oakland he received a hearty greeting.

Upon his arrival in San Francisco the President was taken for a three-mile carriage ride through the principal streets and reviewed on Van Ness avenue nearly all of the public and parochial school children of the city.

Next the President laid the cornerstone of the new Young Men's Christian association building and expressed again the interest he always feels in Y. M. C. A. work.

Later the President was the guest of honor at a reception at the Union League club. At night he was given a banquet at the Fairmount hotel by more than 600 residents of San Francisco and later was entertained at the Press club. The President retired at midnight at the St. Francis hotel and will leave at 8 in the morning for the Yosemite valley.

During his stay in Berkeley the President stole a half hour away from the entertaining committee and visited his cousin, Mrs. Charles T. Blake.

One of the most pathetic incidents of the President's trip marked his stay in Berkeley. He passed in review of the pupils of an institution for the deaf, dumb and blind. The tribute of flags waved with unseeing eyes, or silent nods of the dumb and cheers from the blind, deeply impressed the President.

President Taft saw San Francisco for the first time since the fire. In his address at the Y. M. C. A. he expressed the hope that the coming generation would prove as energetic, as optimistic and altogether as enthusiastic a people as those who have rehabilitated the city.

## Peary In An Accident.

Portland, Me.—The Harpell line steamer Anconisco, upon which Commander Peary and Mrs. Peary were passengers on the way to Eagle Island Sunday forenoon, was struck by the Merryweather of the same line, just as she was coming out of Trefethens Landing at Peaks Island.

The Anconisco had a hole punched in her bow, but the damage was not so serious but that she proceeded on her way. The shock threw one of the passengers flat on his back and others were badly frightened.

The explorer was talking with a young woman when the two boats met. He manifested no alarm and assisted in rescuing the other passengers.

## American Missionary Acquitted.

Leopoldville, Belgian Congo—Rev. W. H. Sheppard, an American missionary, has been acquitted of the charge of libel brought against him by one of the Congo concession companies which has a monopoly of rubber gathering in the Kasai region.

Two American missionaries, W. H. Sheppard and Rev. William Morrison, were charged with "calumnious denunciation" and libel by the concession company referred to in the above dispatch. The suit was based on an article which appeared in the Kasai Herald. The charges against Mr. Morrison, however, were withdrawn. The company sought to recover \$6000 from Mr. Sheppard.

The missionaries charged that Congo officials levied upon the natives oppressive so-called taxes to be paid in rubber; that whole villages, including women and children, are impressed by the soldiers for gathering the rubber; that they often are compelled to travel many miles to the rubber forests and to sleep there for more than a week under unhealthy conditions; that they are cruelly punished for failure to meet the taxes imposed, and that so large a proportion of their time is taken for gathering these taxes that they are unable to cultivate crops and raise food necessary for their support.

The Belgian government holds half the stock of the Kasai company, and a majority of the company directors are Belgian officials; also that the suit has been considered as practically one by the Belgian government against the missionaries. The suit was to have been heard in Leopoldville on May 20, but it was postponed several times.

Messrs. Morrison and Sheppard are members of the American Presbyterian mission. Their regular station in the Congo is at Ibanji, a long distance from Leopoldville. The trial was conducted by Belgian officials. The American consul at Boma was instructed from Washington to exercise appropriate good offices in this case if occasion arose.

## American Ice Company Arraigned.

New York, N. Y.—The American Ice Company, through its counsel, has entered pleas of not guilty in the supreme court to four indictments charging the company with operating as a monopoly in restraint of trade. It is charged that the ice company made contracts with ice harvesting companies along the Hudson river either to permit the American Ice Company to control their output or to withhold ice from the market.

The corporation made a determined fight to prevent a trial on those indictments. John B. Stanchfield, chief counsel for the defendant, contended that the state attorney-general had no right to appear in the matter and the case should be prosecuted through the district attorney's office.

The court denied Mr. Stanchfield's motion and also another motion for the ice company that the criminal action be adjourned, pending the settlement of civil actions now being instituted against the company by the attorney-general.

## Miners Die in Explosion.

Nanaimo, B. C.—Thirty lives are known to have been lost in an explosion that entombed more than 50 men in the extension mine of the Welling Colliery Company here.

Twenty-five of the imprisoned men were rescued, but the rapidly spreading fire prevented the rescuers from completing their work. Eight bodies were recovered and the workers were making every effort to force further entrance into the two levels affected by the explosion in an effort to save any who may be living and to recover the bodies of the dead before they are consumed.

The fire was constantly gaining headway and while it continues there is little hope of the rescuers being able to reach the imprisoned. All the men rescued were badly injured.

The men employed in the collieries on Vancouver Island are of the better class of British miners and all are well paid and have comfortable homes.

## Big Haul in Diamonds.

Pittsburg.—A detective agency announces that the home of Mrs. Henry R. Rea, wife of one of the Pittsburg steel kings and a niece of U. S. Senator George T. Oliver, has been robbed of diamonds within the past few days to the extent of perhaps \$40,000. The Rea family, however, assert that the missing jewels are not worth more than \$15,000.

The detectives find evidence that a baggy was driven to a lane back of the Rea residence, which stands by itself on a high hill, and from there the thieves evidently climbed in the upper windows and looted the sleeping rooms. A large reward has been offered for the return of part of the jewels.

## Revolutionists in Paraguay.

Washington.—Revolutionists are active in Paraguay, according to advices received at the state department Sunday from Minister O'Brien. The government forces have lost 10 men and the revolutionists 100, according to the dispatch.

CONDENSED NEWS  
OF THE ENTIRE WEEK

## THURSDAY,

Sept. 30, 1909.

Deaf beats Boston Americans, 5 to 0 and 8 to 3, Killian pitching both games for the Tigers.

Wilbur Wright makes three flights in New York harbor; Hudson-Fulton commission gives brilliant banquet.

Flood conditions in northern Maine are still bad; millions of feet of logs are in danger of breaking away, and low lands have suffered much.

Charles W. Morse may be obliged to go back to jail in New York.

National baseball commission fixes schedule and rules for world's series between Pittsburg and Detroit or Philadelphia and reprimands Pres. C. W. Murphy and fines the Chicago National club \$500, on complaint of Toronto of the Eastern league.

Two men rescued from drowning off Fourth cliff, Scituate, Mass.

Sec. Birrell says the home rule question has passed the argument stage; "Ireland's interests in no danger of being neglected."

Mechanic Bates killed and driver Lytle injured in auto race at Riverhead, L. I.; American records broken.

Senator Alfonso di Brochetti, King Victor's special envoy to the Fulton celebration, lands at East Boston and hurries on to New York.

Acquittal asked of two concerns on trial in the steel cases in Boston.

Friends of income tax fear republican committee on resolutions will not make a "real plank" of it.

Quannapowitt agricultural society holds cattle show at Reading, Mass.

Death of Col. William R. Morrison of Illinois, veteran of the Mexican and Civil wars and noted politician.

Two killed in auto accident near Mineola, L. I., carrying Leo Stevens' balloon.

## FRIDAY,

October 1, 1909.

Harry Whitney declares on arrival in Nova Scotia that Dr. Cook left no records with him in the Arctic regions, described to him as valuable.

Vahey and Foss to head Massachusetts Democratic state ticket.

President Taft favors a ship subsidy; opposes a territorial form of government for Alaska.

Samuel Kennison arrested charged with shooting Mrs. Emma Young, a Charlestown, Mass., widow.

Co. G, of Gloucester, wins 8th regiment shoot at Bay state range.

Military parade of 25,000 men in New York; sailors there from 16 foreign warships.

Henry W. Flagg commits suicide in Calumet & Hecla building in Ashburton place, Boston.

Representative Norman H. White of Brookline, Mass., charged with manslaughter in inquest report on death of Worcester boy killed by his automobile.

Commander Peary will arrive in New York this morning and command the Roosevelt in the Hudson-Fulton marine parade.

Many favorable opinions brought out at hearing on old-age pensions at the Massachusetts state house.

Gen. Patrick Hayes chosen commander of Union Veterans' union at convention at Auburn, Me.

Assistant City Engineer Fay of Boston testifies as expert in steel cases. Clayton in balloon Boston lands at Kensington, N. H.

Massachusetts street railway association on 10,000 mile trip.

Barge West Virginia wrecked on a shoal in Pollock Rip slue, in Massachusetts bay.

## SATURDAY,

October 2, 1909.

Harry Whitney has secret meeting with Dr. Cook in Boston; Whitney had serious quarrel with Peary's man, Murphy, at Annotook.

Dr. Cook greeted in Boston by enthusiastic crowds; says he has sent for Burrill to clear up Mt. McKinley controversy.

Peary given wild welcome on land and water from New York to Newburg.

William H. Gove of Salem, Mass., declared councillor nominee after bitter convention, the result of which may be reversed by ballot law commission.

Fishing schooner Caldwell F. Colt sunk by a Mexican gunboat.

Somerville, Mass., objects to elevated railroad in its city.

Architect McKim provided in his will for endowment of the American academy at Rome.

Silver wedding of William J. Bryan. Wonderful recuperative power of the country shown in the full return of normal conditions in industry and commerce.

Subimmigration stations in New England made part of Boston district.

Federal of Clyde Fitch, the playwright, at New York.

Gifford Pinchot says congress must act if the water power sites of the country are to be kept free from trusts.

## MONDAY,

October 4, 1909.

Ex-Judge Dewey, candidate for governor of Massachusetts talks continuously 12 hours on Boston Common, except for 25 minutes for breakfast.

Dr. Cook will ask university of Copenhagen to waive its claim to review his records first; Commander Peary and his wife in an accident at Casco Bay, Maine.

Two brothers, quarreling in canoe at Amesbury, Mass., are drowned in view of friends.

Hon. Gorham D. Gilman, ex-consul general for New England of Hawaii, passes away at Newton, Mass.

President Taft declares himself an optimist.

Grand lodge of Masons lay cornerstone of new First Universalist church of Chelsea, Mass.

Death at North Abington, Mass., of John P. Lyon, believed to be oldest Grand Army man.

Man believed to be Archibald Wright of Cambridge Junction, Vt., found dead in a room in a hotel at Worcester, Mass.; the gascock was wide open.

Alleged slavery on cocoa plantations described by Joseph Burrill at Warren Ave. church, Boston.

Judge Whitehouse of Maine decides one ballot by clerk of board is not legal in election of subordinate municipal officers.

Trustee Baker of the estate of Mrs. Eddy to turn over property in his hands at once.

Survivors of the Dundee whaler Paradox brought to St. Johns; also a story of cannibalism by an Eskimo.

Two sets of triplets and three pairs of twins born in Schoolfield, a suburb of Danville, Va., in one day.

Pres. Hadley preaches matriculation sermon at Yale.

Edwin W. Stuber arrested in New York charged with forging two checks in Boston.

## TUESDAY,

October 5, 1909.

Reports that Col. Oakes of the 5th Mass. infantry will retire and that other militia officers contemplate similar action.

Wilbur Wright makes a successful and spectacular flight over the Hudson to the cheers of thousands.

John Holden of Roxbury, Mass., killed by fall from fourth-story window.

Charles R. Crane, new minister to China, suddenly called to Washington for conference.

Peary's charges against Dr. Cook formally accepted by Peary Arctic club; Denmark to get Cook's records first; Harry Whitney on way home.

Ten balloons start in contest for the Lahn cup at St. Louis.

New England negroes declare Taft's policies are worse than Roosevelt's. Many baseball followers incline by a shade to Pittsburg to win the world's series.

Steel contractors, other than those on trial in superior court at Boston, got big contracts from 1902 to 1906.

Congregational Sunday school superintendents' union favors consolidation with the Baptist union.

Funeral of Dist. Engineer Lithfield of Hingham, Mass.

President Taft arrives at Sacramento from Portland.

Herbert Parsons of New York reverts his charges of a Republican-Tammany deal.

Pres. Lowell addresses the Harvard freshmen at the annual reception.

Officers and men of U. S. navy send loving cups to Chinese and Japanese navies.

## WEDNESDAY,

October 6, 1909.

Mrs. Mary Higgins of Roxbury, Mass., drugged, daughter disappears and \$220 stolen from drawers; police looking for John Harris.

Capt. Bernier of Canadian steamer Arctic makes public letter Dr. Cook wrote to him May 23, telling of discovery of the pole.

Thirty miners killed by an explosion in a colliery near Victoria, B. C. Keen interest in world's and other post-season baseball series.

Detroit reports all its reserved seats taken for first two world's series games in that city; Pittsburg planning to take care of 40,000 on Friday and Saturday.

Wilbur Wright announces that he will probably make no more flights for money.

Mystery in recall of C. R. Crane, minister to China, to Washington on further instructions.

Ancients place tributes on soldiers' monument at Milwaukee.

Gov. Draper's Boston home burned; loss about \$200,000.

Three sharp earth shocks felt in Salt Lake City.

Ex-Mayor Thurston of Cambridge is elected city auditor to succeed Harry T. Upton.

President Taft welcomed to San Francisco.

## BOMB THROWN.

## Boston's North End Thrown Into Panic by Terrific Explosion.

Boston.—Over 800 men, and children of the Copp's Hill section of the North End were thrown into a panic when a bomb exploded at the corner of Snow Hill and Hull streets about 7.30 o'clock Tuesday night.

Windows were blown out on the first floors of the four-story tenement houses for a distance of 70 feet from the scene of the explosion.

Women and children sitting by the windows on the first floor narrowly escaped being cut by the flying glass.

One woman fell to the floor in a faint when the bomb exploded and remained in an unconscious condition for half an hour.

At midnight she was still in a highly nervous condition at her home at 31 Snow Hill street.

Who fired the bomb is a mystery. While the members of the 24 families living nearby poured into the street, half-frantic, excited Italians cried that it was the work of the Black Hand, and this excited the neighbors more.

Others on speaking of the matter afterward explained their highly nervous state in that at first they believed the immense gas tank near Prince street had exploded.

The terrific din raised by the explosion was heard from the apex of Copp's Hill, high above the noise of the elevated trains running below, as far distant as Hanover street.

Police officers came running to the scene, but were at first unable to obtain even the slightest idea of the damage wrought because of the thick cloud of smoke that completely filled Snow Hill and Hull streets.

The smell of powder was predominant, and through the clouds of smoke men, women and children ran, crying excitedly in Italian.

Five minutes after the explosion there were fully 1000 people drawn to the scene.

The four-story brick block at the southwest corner of the two streets bore the brunt of the explosion. Under one window on the first floor a chair spot five inches in diameter told where the bomb had struck after being fired in the street.

## Aged Woman a Bride.

Spencer, Mass.—The marriage of Frank Berard, aged 75, and Mrs. Lucy (Young) Valley, aged 70, both of Mechanic street, this town, lends some proof to the statement that love can warm the cooies of the heart in old as well as young. And, too, it proves that aged lovers can keep the secret of their plans quiet as well as the younger ones.

Mr. Berard and Mrs. Valley were married by Rev. Fr. A. A. Lamy, pastor of St. Mary's church. It was the bride's second trip in the matrimonial boat, and in starting this trip there goes with her 18 children by her former marriage. But for the groom it is his first voyage on the sea of connubial bliss.

The bride, who, unlike many brides of fewer years, admits everyone of her summers and winters, has been living with one of her 18 children, Mrs. Oscar Bellere, and she has one daughter past 50 years old. She was married first in Canada, when only 15 years of age.

Mr. Berard is a native of St. Mary's, Can., but has been many years in the United States. He fought in the civil war, and is a pensioner. For several years he has been employed as a lumberman, and also at the one of the East Brookfield brick yards.

And this bride and groom, though holding the record for years, are just as up-to-date as the 20th century class for they started at once on a wedding trip, going to Worcester for a visit with the bride's daughter. They will return to Spencer for a part of their honeymoon, and it is understood will reside on Mechanic street.

## American Pilot Lapses Last.

Paris, France.—A dispatch to the Matin from Geneva says that Edgar W. Mix, the American pilot in the international balloon race, which started from Zurich, Switzerland, landed at field, Bohemia, having covered 600 kilometres (373 miles).

Of the 17 starters in the international balloon race, which began from Zurich Sunday, Mix was the last to land.

Alfred LeBlanc, the French pilot, whom Mix accompanied in the St. Louis race in 1907 and in which LeBlanc finished second, and the German pilot Meckel, both landed in Hungary.

## Reverse Causes Suicide.

Topeka, Kan.—Roy C. Daniels, president of the Kansas Amusement company of Hot Springs, Ark., committed suicide at the National Hotel here by shooting. He had just given the financial failure of several of his houses as the reason for his act.

## Better Mer Own Record.

Quebec, Que.—The Lusitania broke her own record for the east-bound transatlantic voyage when she arrived here two hours ahead of her best previous time. The time for the trip was 4 days 11 hours 15 minutes.



## CHURCH DIRECTORY.

First Parish (Unitarian).  
Main street and Parker avenue.  
Rev. Daniel M. Wilson, minister.  
Services at 10.45 a. m.  
Sunday school, 12 m.

Trinitarian Congregational.  
Main street, near Mill Brook.  
Rev. N. Fay Smith, pastor.  
Services.  
Sundays, 10.45 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.  
Thursdays, 8 p. m.

St. Patrick's Parish.  
Main street.

Rev. J. S. Nelligan, pastor.  
Services every alternate  
Sunday at 8.30 a. m.

## CHURCH NEWS.

Items for this column should be sent to the editor before Tuesday noon.

A report of the Unitarian Conference will be found in another column.

Rev. Adam Murman will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational Church next Sunday morning. Mr. Smith will conduct communion service at Mt. Hermon chapel.

Miss Brooks spoke on "Missions in Egypt" at the Women's Missionary meeting in the north parish house on Wednesday afternoon, giving personal experiences gained during her visit to Egypt last winter.

"Justice, Divine and Human," is the subject selected by the Rev. Mr. Wilson for his discourse next Sunday. During the Sundays of this month he will present several of the aspects of the "Religion of the Future" as outlined by ex-President Eliot of Harvard.

The 66th annual meeting of the Franklin Co. Conference of Congregational churches was held at Conway last week. It was voted to change the name to "Franklin Co. Association of Congregational Churches." About 90 visitors were provided with lodging by the Conway church, while over 200 were present at the midday-meals.

The Sunday School Teachers' class of the Congregational church had its first meeting last night at 7.30 under the instruction of Rev. N. Fay Smith. The annual reports of the church officers were presented at prayer meeting last night. Next Wednesday evening the annual meeting will be held. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock, and roll call and business will be taken up soon after seven.

The Mothers' meeting of the Congregational Church has its opening meeting of the season at the Parish House last week. Mrs. N. Fay Smith was elected president; Mrs. A. C. Flitts, first vice-president; Mrs. E. F. Howard, second vice-president; Mrs. L. H. Lazelle, sec.-treasurer; Mrs. Merrill Moore, flower committee; Mrs. Warner, Mrs. George Spencer and Mrs. Lewis, executive committee. Members were requested to suggest topics they would like dealt with on the program. The mothers' meeting is held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 3 p. m.

The annual convention of the Father Matthew Diocesan Temperance Union will be held at Greenfield on Oct. 12 and 13. General business will occupy the opening day.

In the evening the delegates, with members of the Father Mathew Society and its Women's Auxiliary, will gather at Grinnell Hall to listen to a program of addresses and music. Among the speakers will be Rev. Fr. Bernard S. Conaty of Worcester, president of the Union, other officers of the Union, Greenfield town officials, and officers of the Board of Trade. The convention will conclude on Wednesday evening with a ball in Washington Hall.

At a meeting of the County Young Men's Christian Association committee (in Shelburne Falls last week), the holding of a boys' conference at Shelburne Falls, Saturday and Sunday, November 6 and 7, was authorized. The county committee will seek incorporation. The county work under the secretary, J. Leslie Reid, is progressing favorably. At Conway and Bernardston local committees have been selected, and organization will follow soon. At Griswoldville a class has been organized for educational work among the French-Canadians. At Sunderland the Phi Alpha Pi society of boys is to be organized as a branch, and the Park Bar under the direction of A. F.

Warner. At South Deerfield a club similar to the one in Sunderland will be reorganized, the officers having already been elected.

## HERE AND THERE.

The Mt. Hermon male quartet sang at the First Methodist church, Greenfield, last Sunday morning and evening. The quartet is planning to take up evangelistic work, and will spend the month of November at the noon-day meeting in Tremont Temple, Boston.

The formal opening of Houghton & Simonds' enlarged and modernized store at Brattleboro was largely attended. From the beginning of the reception at 2 o'clock in the afternoon until 9 in the evening the store was crowded. The new "Garment Shop" received the enthusiastic approval of all the visitors, including many Northfield people who saw the advertisements in the PRESS.

The Massachusetts State Poultry Association will hold its first annual field meeting at the Agricultural College and Experiment Station at Amherst, October 12, 13. The program will include addresses by professors and prominent breeders on such topics as: "Anatomy of the Fowl"; "Growing Crops for Poultry"; "Fruit Crops that combine with Poultry Keeping"; while demonstrations will be given of killing and dressing for the market. Typical specimens of live birds will be brought, and their characteristics discussed, mating, selecting for exhibition, etc.

## A DAY AT MT. TOM

In October is very nejoyable. The charming meadows and the beautiful river; the wealth of royal purple of the asters; the golden verdure of summer's end, and the choice atmosphere of early autumn, are delightful. A MT. TOM dinner is appetizing. The pictures of Amusement Hall; the Autophone with its wonderful reproductions of famous opera singers; the Kaleidoscope in electrical brilliancy; the ride up and down MT. TOM; all these beckon toward MT. TOM!

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(Special Correspondence.)

## Alphabetical Reform.

The Society of Printers, which has its headquarters in Boston, has appointed a committee to enlist the services of some university laboratory in scientifically presenting the case for reform among small letters and capitals. It is declared that as at present constituted the alphabetical characters retard rather than facilitate the reading of the printed page, injure rather than protect the eyes of a nation of readers.

Spelling reform, say those who are enthusiasts for alphabet reform, is all very well. There is undoubtedly some hardship to children and foreigners in being obliged to master the eccentricities of an illogically spelled language. But the place where improvement is mostly needed is in the shapes of the letters themselves.

The nervous strain of rapid reading could be greatly diminished by more scientific cutting of type faces. It is argued. A dozen or so alterations, some of them very slight modifications, in the forms of the letters might make it possible for the average man to read with far less visual effort and with easier grasp of the sense. The newspaper which is now only half read by a man on his way to work would, if printed in the reformed typography, be entirely perused, advertisements and all. Novels which now require four hours for reading would be tossed aside in half the time, with consequent gain, to sleep, temper and general health. The reading pace of a continent would be speeded up by changes that would increase the legibility of average words.

It is easy enough, of course, to realize what an unhygienic, unscientific assortment of characters has been brought together in the ordinary type font.

Logically if any letters must be less legible than others these should be the ones that occur least frequently. Yet it is a curious fact that the seven small letters which are most largely represented in a full font of type, E, T, A, I, N, O, S, are among those that have repeatedly come off worst in tests both for legibility and liability to confusion with other letters.

A Noted Theosophist.

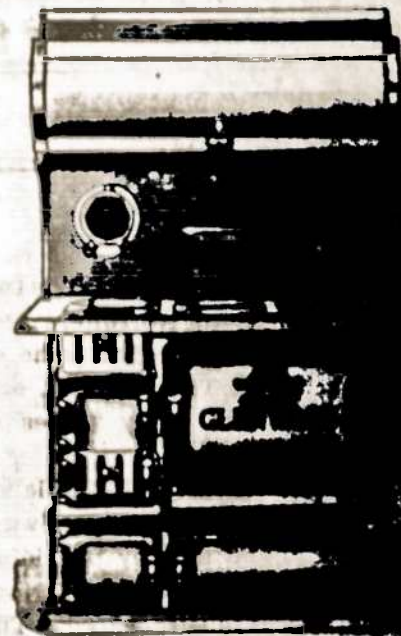
Mrs. Annie Berant, a very ordinary appearing little woman, with rather short cut silvery hair and a motherly smile, and nothing about her to sug-

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gest that she had distinct memories of several previous existences, arrived in Boston last week to commune with the members of the Theosophist Society of which she is the international president.

Nothing in her pale blue eyes, that twinkle with a keen appreciation of life in spite of her advanced years, would arouse the suspicion that they were watching beneficent or malevolent influences hovering about in the air. She is dignified without being reserved.

About her ideas and her theories she maintains the same dignity which seems natural to her. Frivolous questions were smilingly ignored by her. The popular impression that she was Hypatia in a previous incarnation disturbed her serenity.

"I have never said that I was Hypatia. Some one else has said that, and it has been put into my mouth. I make it a rule never to speak of those previous incarnations. Only once have I ever said anything and that was in answer to persistent questioning. Then I simply said that I was once a blind flower girl in the reign of Acha, in very poor circumstances.

"Oh, yes," she continued, in answer to a question, "the memories of previous incarnations persists. Under favorable conditions they are very distinct. I remember perfectly my previous incarnations.

"But those are things that the ordinary person cannot understand, and their failure to understand leads them to ridicule. With friends, with whom one is very well acquainted, to talk over previous existences tests the memory and strengthens impressions by the comparison of memories."

## Prevalence of Crime Deplored.

Reporting 77 convictions out of 79 prosecutions to the board of directors of the Watch and Ward Society of New England, who held their first fall meeting at the Boston City club the other day, J. Frank Chase, secretary, deplored a "prevalence of crime of the most appalling nature, flourishing without apparent hindrance and restriction."

"From evidence your agents have secured we believe the annual traffic in human souls in this city amounts to hundreds," said Mr. Chase of the so-called white slave business. He reports that cocaine and opium selling is rampant in all the principal cities in New England, more particularly in Boston.

The reports adds this: "A growing evil in our community is the immoral cafe and resort which flourishes under a peculiar police relaxation. Their efforts should be supplemented by a more vigorous policy on our part. This has been made apparent in many instances, and none more so than in the case of prosecutions brought against two notorious resorts in the North End. Upon the complaint of those compelled by circumstances to live in

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the neighborhood, your secretary instituted an investigation which furnished evidence sufficient to justify us in petitioning the licensing board to refuse these places a renewal of their license. To our amazement, while the board acknowledged the guilt of the parties involved, they did not apply the remedy the law prescribes."

## School for Salesmanship.

An interesting example of the advantages that accrue from a practical training along a given line is offered by the workings of the Union school for salesmanship conducted by the Women's Educational and Industrial Union of Boston, in co-operation with a number of the leading stores in town. This school was started several years ago, and such has been its success that its growth and the increase of its scope have been rapid and it may now be said to be a distinct factor in the business life of the city, and reflects strongly the progression of the times. The existence of the school is a recognition of the fact, long lost sight of, that store salesmanship, properly understood, has its possibilities along the lines of success, and may be raised, with proper training, to the dignity of a profession.

## Distinguished Party Landed.

Titled foreigners, opera stars, men of affairs and homecoming tourists filled the cabins of the White Star liner Canopic, which arrived at Charlestown, last week. Conspicuous on the upper deck were the four representatives of the Sultan of Morocco on their way to the Hudson-Fulton celebration at New York. Garbed in their colored

robes and wearing the insignia of office the party were picturesque objects of interest to those on the pier awaiting friends.

Dr. Othman Holtzman, the physician to the Sultan and the only one in the party who can speak English, said they had come here for a short stay and would not have time to see the country. In 10 days they must hasten back to Morocco.

## Foreign Trade Increasing.

Vessels with cargoes aggregating four million dollars in value entered this port one day last week. 'Tis well, but not enough. Such days offset somewhat those other days when the story runs differently, and they also show that our trade, especially with the Far East is coming up, and has even greater possibilities than has been claimed. If plans which the chamber of Commerce is perfecting get the support they deserve, days with a like record will occur oftener.

Since Annette Kellerman went to Harvard and was pronounced by Dr. Dudley A. Sargent as the nearest approach to a perfect woman that he had ever seen, this young Australian has become one of the most widely discussed women in the entire world. She returns to Keith's this week, the house in which she started her vaudeville career, with world-wide fame and more interesting than ever. Miss Kellerman will be the feature of another one of those bills that are making Keith's talked about all over the country; bills made up almost entirely of headline acts.



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## IS A FAIR?

and fairs. The two to Northfield people that came off Tuesday last, and they represent justified all the labor and splendid showing, and also by providing social intercourse that often repeated. The often asked: if the do? A desire has been which we hope will be realized along this line. It would ensure major competition among adults and children. It would enable more experts to be brought here from outside. There is plenty of room for expansion in the Town Hall—the gallery and the lower hall could be used for exhibits, and a tent could be erected if needed. If timed to follow the Brattleboro fair, the management could no doubt secure for exhibition, if not for competition, some of the splendid things shown there by the Brattleboro retreat and other exhibitors. Mount Hermon school is in our township. And what's the matter with Northfield Seminary, whose garden is so large and well cultivated?

Could not the state College of Agriculture at Amherst be induced to do what the University of Vermont did for the Brattleboro fair.

Forestry was taken as a live topic for illustration, and anyone who examined the forestry exhibit thoughtfully could learn much from it. In some long boxes pine and Norway spruce seedlings had been planted in poor soil to show the relative growths in the first few years of their life. One of the most significant features of this exhibit was the cross sections of several trunks of Norway spruces cut on the Billings estate in Woodstock. All of the spruces from which these sections were cut were of the same age, 32 years, but the one from the stand of trees planted eight feet apart was only about a foot in diameter, while the one from a stand planted 12 feet apart was fully two feet, and the one grown in the open land was more than three feet in diameter. Another instructive feature of the experiment station exhibit was the flora of Vermont, illustrated by fine photographs and specimens from the University Museum Herbarium. The exhibit also included some instructive material on fertilizers and seeds.

No doubt it would be well to leave the management of the local fair in the hands of a wide-awake body like the Grange, but since they never can expect all the town to join the order, the bars must be let down if open to all entry is desired. Any enterprise in which the whole community can share, even the children, is to be preferred. It will put a little zest into what tends to become monotonous and draggery if every farmer in town, even the poorest, can look forward to competitive exhibitions.

As for the Brattleboro fair, a vein of apologetic explanation ran through the newspaper accounts, so perhaps we must make allowance for the utter disproportion this year between the exhibits and the other features. The crowds were to be found at the races and among the sideshows. The lack of a printed catalog of entries made it hard to get the information one wanted about the fine exhibits that were on hand, and so their educational value was considerably handicapped.

The racing was wholesome and high-grade, but we were rather disgusted with the midway. There were 54 concessions, which included three vaudeville and one platform show. These created a bad impression, just inside the maintenance, and expressions of surprise at their notoriety were frequent. The presence of those coarse women and men dressed in tight and wigs to look like women,

was an insult to respectable womanhood—and to respectable manhood, too. One or two of the dives were closed by the sheriff on complaint of citizens, and the management put the lid on others. When the agencies for civic betterment in all the large cities are trying to suppress this vulgar and debasing element, we fail to see how the Brattleboro authorities can afford to permit it within their borders for the fair week. The diseases of body and imagination incurred by their presence will prove a costly offset to the few dirty dollars obtained from the concessions.

We would not deprive the rustic swains of the wild but innocuous excitement of throwing baseballs at Aunt Sallies or ninepins once a year, or of tossing rings over knives, or even of being mulcted of their easy money by fake palmists; but to swamp the exhibits by such features is a sign of weakness and a sure way to lose the patronage of the more respectable and substantial elements in the community. Our local fair can never afford to follow in that lead.

## WILLIAMS E. WEBSTER.

Mr. Williams E. Webster, formerly of Northfield, died in New York city, September 30. Mr. Webster was the son of Lewis T. and Mary A. Webster, and was born in Northfield January 16, 1864. He was educated in our public schools and in the high school, which was then conducted in the building now known as "The Beehive." For some years he clerked in his father's store. When 21 years of age he entered the employ of the Winona Milling Company of Winona, Minn., as traveling salesman, and has been in the flour business since that time. In April, 1905, he was married to Emma H. Stegman of New York city. They had no children. Mr. Webster leaves a widow and two brothers, Frank A. Webster of Tappan, N. Y., and Charles H. Webster of Northfield, Mass.

## UNITARIAN CONFERENCE.

About 75 out-of-town delegates attended the session of the Connecticut Valley Conference of Unitarian, Congregational and other Christian churches last Wednesday, including 11 ministers. The church was tastefully decorated with flowers and fern leaves for the occasion. Lunch was served in the Town Hall.

The program was carried out as planned. Mr. B. T. Henry of Rowe was in the chair. Officers for the new year are: Wm. Allan of Greenfield, president; Rev. A. P. Reccord of Springfield, vice president; Rev. A. H. Coar of Holyoke; Rev. S. R. Maxwell of Greenfield, Mrs. Wm. P. Brooks of Amherst, and Miss Marion McClench of Springfield, directors. C. H. Webster was elected a member of the missionary committee.

A historical paper prepared by Rev. Alfred Free created great interest, and was ordered to be printed at the expense of the conference, which was organized, he said, on January 16, 1867, by 15 Unitarian and 5 Universalist societies. The latter have since dropped out. There are 19 churches in the conference at present.

Rev. S. H. Maxwell of Greenfield suggested in a lucid address, some things the conference should give consideration to in order to justify its existence—to work closer with the American Unitarian Association; to adapt the churches to the steady inflow of the foreign-born; to win back the wage-earning classes; to reconsider the church's attitude to institutional features; also, the best kind of service to reach the people; the church's attitude towards theological distinctions; the unattractiveness of the ministry; and most serious question of all, wherein lies the real church leadership—in the preaching, the social effectiveness, wealth and strength, pew or pulpit.

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We are figuring out some attractive combination offers on the monthly magazines for 1910, which we shall have ready next month.

Isn't it queer how people who are not capable of giving advice to themselves seem to know the proper thing for you to do.

## NORTHFIELD.

Welcome home, Mr. Doane!

The Misses Osgood are in Boston.

Mrs. E. L. Towne and daughter left yesterday for Brattleboro.

The plans of the new high school building are still coming.

Mrs. Eva Reed and daughter are visiting Mrs. Thomas Clark.

Mrs. Sarah Stockwell of Warwick is visiting Mrs. Julia Williams.

Miss Hattie Hastings of Orange is the guest of Miss Lucy Webster.

Miss Susie Rollins of Northampton has been visiting Mrs. Geo. N. Kidder.

The Woman's Relief Corps inspection has been postponed until October 22.

John Wall of Springfield spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wall.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Leavis leave Friday to visit friends in Northampton for two or three weeks.

George N. Kidder has broken ground for the erection of an eight-room cottage on Parker Avenue.

R. B. Bisbee of Boston is in Northfield this week representing the Prudential Life Insurance Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright of Boston have been amongst old friends in Northfield for the past few days.

The Conn. Valley Pomona Grange holds a regular meeting in town today. A full program has been prepared.

Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge and Miss Daisy A. Dickinson, have been appointed press correspondents of the fortnightly.

Dr. N. P. Wood was elected president of the Union Church Association at Vernon at the annual meeting last week.

Mrs. Braser will be at Mrs. Whitmore's store every Monday beginning Oct. 11, from 11 a. m. to 7 p. m. with millinery from Mrs. Bascom's store in Brattleboro, Vt.—Adv't.

We have some copies of the PRESS for July 31 still left on hand, containing a picture and advance description of the Belcher fountain. Five cents, mailed free to any address given.

Miss Jennie Crehan, because of ill health, is taking a month's vacation from the telephone exchange. During her absence her position will be filled by Miss Daisy Frary, of Greenfield.

The Grange Journal, vol. 1, number 2, will be the subject at the grange meeting next Tuesday evening. E. F. Howard is editor-in-chief, and Mrs. Clapp and Mrs. Moore assistant editors.

Miss Marjorie Wilson arrived home this week from her trip abroad. Miss Helen, who came with her to New York, was summoned to Boston by a previous engagement. She is expected soon to make a brief visit to Northfield.

The committee of the Peoples' Lecture Course is in correspondence with the leader of the Tuskegee Chorus now singing in the Food Fair in Boston, to see if part of the Chorus can be obtained for an entertainment in November.

The masons had a big time on October 4, when district deputy grand master, Chas. W. Schuber of Turner's Falls, made an annual visitation and inspection. The third degree was worked, Leon Alexander being made a master mason. A banquet followed.

Frank Perould of Northfield and Mrs. Adeline Pearson of Cooperaville, N. Y., were married last Friday, Oct. 1, by Rev. Mr. Wilson. The ceremony was performed at the home of Mr. Perould in the presence of a few of the relatives and friends of the bride and groom. The Northfield Band, of which Mr. Perould was formerly a member, was well represented, and furnished appropriate music throughout the evening. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all who were present.

## GRANGE FAIR.

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and Mrs. Keet in charge. A fine exhibit of canned pears, peaches, cherry tomatoes, blue plums, and pineapples. Lucky Clapp won a prize with grape and peach wine dated 1892. That is nearly old enough to kill.

FANCY WORK.—Mrs. W. L. Mann of Warwick, judge; Mrs. Whittemore in charge. We will put our lady reporter on to this department next year. We can wield the editorial scissors, but we draw the line at dollies, drawn handkerchiefs, eyelet and embroidered centre pieces, hairpin and crochet work, baby's dresses and the rest. Ask Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Bristol, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Keet, Miss Minot, Mrs. N. G. Hillard, Mrs. Elson Howes, Mrs. George Holton, Mrs. Estabrook and Mrs. Whittemore: they know all about it. E. F. Howard exhibited a drawn rug which was a prize winner; we are more used to beating rugs. The star feature of this department was a bonnet 125 years old, shown by Mrs. Elson Howes. Its educational value was in showing how ladies' headgear has backslidden in 125 years. In size, weight and other grade points, it was distinctly more civilized than many of the merry widow and peach basket hats exhibited by the ladies present. Oh, for the simple hats of our ancestors! We respectfully suggest to the grange officials that the culture of hats be made a strong feature next spring and summer, with a view to redeeming them from their present degeneracy. The bonnet exhibited would no doubt have won a prize in its class only the original proprietor is no longer a member of the grange. An old-fashioned quilt with a hand-made backing was also shown by Mrs. Howes.

A Grange Cook Book was on sale for 20 cents.

CANDY TABLE.—Mrs. Gillette and Miss Iola Holton in charge. The only fault with the candy was that it gave out early. Nearly \$5.00 was realized.

CHILDREN'S EXHIBITS.—W. L. Mann and F. E. Witherell, judges of fruit and vegetables; Mrs. Cushman, judge of food. The showing was exceptionally good all around. The Clapp children were as "lucky" as their father as prize-winners, Ray taking first prize for boys' collection, muskmelons and popcorn, second prize in citron and watermelon, and special prizes in red popcorn, squash, carrots, potatoes and red cabbage, while Dorothy took special prizes for girls' collection, sage, etc. Clesson M. Alexander was a close second on boys' collection, winning firsts in citron, cauliflower and watermelon. The Callender boys and Jamie Dresser also won prizes on vegetables. Doris Chamberlain was first with doughnuts, Dorothy Clapp first with bread and chocolate cake, and Rebecca Alexander first with whipped cream cake. Bessie Dresser and Clesson Alexander also won prizes with foodstuffs.

SUPPER.—An old-fashioned New England "biled" dinner, with modern trimmings, was served in the lower hall at 6 p. m. by the men under chef Whittemore. It was generous in quantity and blue ribbon in quality. Over 200 persons were served. We haven't heard who carried off the prizes here, but judging by the way some folks tucked away the victuals this was a losing deal.

Taken altogether the fair was a most enjoyable and instructive affair, and we wish the grange larger success on broader lines next year.

## HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

The registrars of voters will be in the selectmen's room at the Town Hall for the registration of voters and revision of the present list on Monday, Oct. 11, from 8 to 9 p. m., and on Saturday, Oct. 23, from 12 noon to 10 p. m.

What's the matter with the American farmers, asks the New York Press, that they are neglecting the cultivation of apples, one of the most profitable crops that can be raised? While our population is rapidly increasing, and while we are exporting more and more of the fruit, the production of apples in the United States has been falling for nearly fifteen years. In 1895 we raised 60,000,000 barrels and in 1896 69,000,000. For the last four years the average yield has been less than 28,000,000. In 1908 the crop was only 23,000,000. In 1902 we exported only 3,800,000 bushels; in 1907, 7,800,000. The apple is the fruit of the gods.

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## FRANKLIN COUNTY

"Tag Day" at Greenfield last Saturday realized \$1,356.45 for the County Hospital. Over 5,000 tags were used. One contribution of \$100 was made, and there were several \$20 bills.

Work has begun on the extension of the state road on Amherst road at Sunderland. About 900 feet will be made. A concrete bridge is to be made across Dry Brook. The electric road will run on the same bridge.

President Tuttle of the Boston & Maine Railroad has promised a committee of the Shelburne Falls Club to put an architect to work at once on plans for a new station, which he hoped would be ready by next spring. The new structure will be architecturally pleasing.

Marion Elsie, daughter of Homer D. and Alice M. Miner of Leyden, aged 9 months, has the proud distinction of having eight grandparents alive. The first quadruple is composed of D. M. and Mrs. Elsie Miner of Leyden, and Titus D. and Mrs. Cora C. Williams of East Colrain. The list of great-grandparents still living is: Horace and Eliza A. Kemp of Colrain, and William and Carrie E. Martin of Greenfield. All of the above are living within a radius of eight miles.

A United States mail route inspector for rural free delivery was in Leyden last week, going over the proposed new route. As planned, it starts from Leyden Centre to Beaver Meadow by the new road, then down the Green river road to West Leyden, thence crossing over to East Colrain and going north as far as William Bridges' farm. From there the route goes south to Hart Larrabee's, and returns to Leyden Centre by way of the Robertson hill. The distance is a fraction over 18 miles, and there are about 75 families on the route.

There is a call for a state road between Shelburne Falls and Greenfield, says the Springfield Republican. The road is a thoroughfare for automobiles, thousands of which pass over it in the course of the season, both big and small cars. It has many curves, and in places is so narrow that two teams can scarcely pass. A few years ago a committee of the Shelburne Falls Club went before the State Highway Commission to bring to the attention of that body the need of state aid in securing a better road, but received little encouragement. It is felt that the two towns should unite in getting to work for a better road, and that if that is done, in time their efforts will be crowned with success.

The cases against Almon W. Bliss, proprietor of the Whately Hotel, and William A. Dwyer, proprietor of the Maplewood Hotel, came up on continuance in the District Court at Greenfield last week. Bliss was found guilty of keeping liquor with intent to sell, and with a sale of liquor, and was fined \$50 on each complaint. He took an appeal. Dwyer was found not guilty on charges of similar offences. The court felt that the Commonwealth had not presented the evidence necessary to show that the defendant was the proprietor of the Maplewood Hotel. A tax receipt had been presented, issued to William A. Dwyer as a liquor dealer at the Maplewood, but it was held that the defendant was not specifically connected by the evidence with this tax receipt.—Gazette and Courier.

The selectmen of Ashfield have received notice from the state highway commission approving of the regulations in regard to posting 13 roads in Ashfield against the use of motor vehicles. There is strong sentiment in town in favor of having the roads closed, and a petition signed by the residents and summer residents was presented to the selectmen asking them to apply to the highway commission. An informal meeting was also held, and at that time the sentiment in favor of closing was strongly manifested. At the hearing in Boston, September 22, no opposition was shown except by two attorneys representing automobile associations, one of whom thought that two or three roads should be left open. The law requires that the regulations shall be further advertised before the signboards shall be put up.

That Greenfield needs a substitute for the saloon was the unanimous conclusion of the members of the First Baptist Church men's club after a two-hour discussion of the question

in the church parlors recently. Rev. L. J. Brace presided at the meeting. The opening address was made by Rev. Charles W. Merriam, who gave a general survey of conditions under no-license, emphasizing the need of something to promote social life among young men. He recommended the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Men's Christian Union, or a municipal building as a civic centre. Many interesting points were brought out in the general discussion, but all present expressed the hope that the plan to convert the present armory building into a young men's club will be carried through. Whether or not the town continues its present license policy does not make any difference in the matter, for with license the need of the club would be all the greater.—Recorder.

## Northfield Seminary

Mountain Day is coming!

Miss Hall leaves for Boston today to attend the annual meeting of the New England Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools.

Last Sunday night the two Seminary delegates to the Silver Bay Conference and the three delegates to the Northfield Conference made reports at Sage Chapel.

Dr. Evangeline Young of Springfield is making a physical examination of the girls, with gymnastic exercises in view. She will also give some chapel talks on the care of the body.

We shall be glad to receive subscriptions from Seminary teachers and students at the special rate of 50 cents from now until the close of school next June. Mailed home at same price.

Former Seminary girls who have recently sailed or who are about to sail for mission fields include: Beth Herriott, '07, for China; Bertha Rothermel, '04, for India; and Marion Wells, '07, for Kusale, Caroline Islands.

Town girls who are attending the Seminary are: Hattie Bolton, Beth Britton, Eva Coles, Elvie Field, Emma Fitt, Imogene and Louise Hamblin, Ellen Howard, Eva and Florence Lyman, Ruth McLean, Esther and Mearle Moody, Sarah Sykes, Beatrice Sword, Marion Webster, Mary Wright, Elza and Adele Zimmerman. Mrs. Lavery and Mrs. Phipps are also enrolled in certain classes.

## Mount Hermon School

The tennis tournament in doubles will begin this week.

Dr. Pierson has continued his interesting chapel talks during the past week.

H. F. Dauphin, H. A. Gelb, and R. L. Tomblen have become members of the Senior Class.

The seniors recently entertained their sister class from the Seminary at Holbrook Hall.

Karl Barleben, violinist in the Boston Symphony Orchestra, gave a concert on Monday night in the chapel.

The class teachers of the senior class, Prof. and Mrs. Duley and Miss Learoyd, gave the class a dinner at Warwick last week.

The tenth annual meeting of Mount Hermon Church will be held on Monday, Oct. 11. Supper will be served at 5 p. m. in the vestry, to be followed by the business meeting of the church.

At a recent meeting of the Y. M. C. A., S. J. McGill was elected president to fill the place left vacant by I. Adams. Jerome Burt was chosen recording secretary, taking the place of W. B. Small.

The question for the first inter-society debate has been chosen: "Resolved, That suffrage should be given to women." This debate will take place October 30 between the Philomathean and Pierian Literary Societies.

The first of a series of cross-country runs was run off on last Tuesday. There are to be five runs this term, the final one being the longest, an inter-dormitory run. The cross-country cup is awarded to the dormitory

that scores the highest number of points.

Due to the almost complete failure of the inter-dormitory football series this fall, a considerable number of students have got together and purchased an Association football. Much interest is being shown in the new game.

The annual inter-class Field Meet is to be held on the 18th of this month. There is keen competition among the classes for the possession of the much-desired banner awarded to the class winning the highest number of points. The class of 1911 at present holds the banner.

The German Society, to be known as Der Deutsche Verein, has elected the following officers: Director, Prof. Pfahler; President, L. A. Hausman; Vice-President, F. L. Kleinschmidt; Secretary, E. Leuenberger; Treasurer, C. Seeholzer. The membership of this society is limited to twenty. Those who understand and read simple German are eligible.

In a recent meeting, the Faculty decided that all football players younger than 21 should have permission from their parents to play. Due to this regulation the different teams have lost several players; also a considerable number of players have been injured in practice. Therefore the football schedule has been dropped. A team made by combining the material from Cottages and Overtown will play Crossley Hall. From the players in these games the All-Hermon team will be chosen.

## BRATTLEBORO FAIR.

Northfield people patronized the Brattleboro Fair in large numbers, a score or more of autos and teams going by road each day, while many went by rail. But we do not find that there were many exhibitors from these parts. Since no program of entries was printed, we had to wait for the lists printed in the Brattleboro papers. In these we note the following exhibits:

Fred L. Proctor had on exhibition a three-year-old stallion named Roan Rex. He also had a three-year-old chestnut stallion, Harry Franklin, grandson of Daniel Lambert out of a Daniel Lambert dam.

Paul D. Moody's brood Morgan mare, Glory, with this year's colt, were exhibited by G. V. Paddock of Claremont, N. H., who is keeping her for the winter. Lord Baltimore, Glory's yearling colt, was also shown, and attracted attention; also Mr. Moody's other mare, Bon Bon, with colt. Mount Hermon School setn 27 animals from their Ayrshire and Holstein herds, not including the Ayrshire bull which was shot, and whose loss depreciated the exhibit. The truck garden was represented by an exhibit which occupied 55 running feet of space. It was not only artistically arranged but very interesting in point of number of varieties and quality of the specimens shown. Many of the pumpkins and squashes had been ornamented with the letters M. H. S. during growth, and presented a striking appearance arranged with the other vegetables. There were 26 varieties of beans, 22 varieties of green and ripe tomatoes, some fine specimens of peppers, egg plants, melons and citron. A large sunflower on a stalk over 12 feet long was shown.

M. P. Aldrich showed some fine specimens of Marblehead and Red Rock cabbages, in addition to a good display of beets, turnips and carrots. The largest and best collection of potatoes was made by R. H. Cushman of Bernardston, who had 144 varieties on exhibition, winning the first prize of \$5.

The dairy test was won by Blossom, a Jersey cow owned by George H. Butterfield & Son of Vernon. There were 13 entries, the winner scoring 2.08 pounds of butter in the 24 hours. The cow winning second was owned by Mount Hermon School, and scored 2.03 pounds in the same time.

In the 3,500 class of drawing oxen, James D. Avery of Buckland won first money, Dickinson Bros. of Ashuelot second. In the free-for-all, James D. Avery won all three prizes. The drawing by the oxen was witnessed by a large crowd, the largest load on the boat at any one time being 9,013 pounds.

## BOYS' BRIGADE.

The opening field drill took place last Friday evening, in Skinner Gymnasium. Two full squads were present, with officers.

A new feature of the drills this season will be music for marching.

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In the absence of Lieut. Davis, last Friday, the drill was conducted by R. G. McBrayne, who had experience as a staff officer in the U. S. army for two years.

A series of talks, two each month, will be given by our local physicians on such subjects as first aid to the injured, personal purity and hygiene. Dr. Wood will lecture in October, Dr. Philbrick in November, and Dr. Newton in December.

Carl Webster, the famous 'cellist, will make his first appearance in Northfield at the Brigade Entertainment Course concert on Monday, Oct. 18. An enterprising feature of the management is that busses will be run from East Northfield, giving a free ride to ticket holders, to the Town Hall and back.

The drill this week will be on Saturday evening.

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## Human Imperfection

By Charles G. Ames, D. D.



HERE is no perfect church, no perfect book, no perfect inspiration, no perfect knowledge; and all for the reason that there are no perfect human beings or institutions. All our organizations, whether we set them up in the name of liberty and justice, in the name of truth and righteousness, in the name of religion or of God, are composed of defective members, and cannot help sharing the imperfections of their parts. It is well to know it, fair to admit it; and it is no misfortune to see things as they are.

But now let us frankly recognize the value and uses of things imperfect. There are no perfect marriages, because there are no perfect men and women; no perfect societies, because no perfect people to be associated.

We must not look for perfection in what now is. We must work toward it, leaving the things that are behind and reaching toward the things that are before. The anarchist, finding nothing wholly good, seeks to destroy everything; the wise man, finding the same, seeks to improve everything.

Yet the good cause is carried forward, as all human affairs are, by such imperfect agencies and instruments as the Lord happens to have on hand at each stage of proceedings. This may explain why even we are permitted to bear a part. The exceeding greatness of his power is shown by the good work done with such poor tools. Heavenly strength is made perfect in earthly weakness.

## ST. JOE'S WHISTLING SON.

Did Not Whistle Himself Out of Congress, as Some People Say.

Former Congressman Frank B. Fulkerson, of St. Joseph, now member of the board of police commissioners for that city, bowed into the National Capital the other day on "strictly private" business of a legal character. "No," he replied in answer to a question, "I did not come here to pick up any reform ideas adapted to the St. Joe police establishment. The 'force' is getting along pretty well. We are not afraid of new ideas, but that's not what brought me here. Neither am I doing any whistling, not yet having had time to look up any of my old friends, and, therefore, not having been called upon to indulge along that line."

Fulkerson made quite a hit while in Congress as a whistler. Several times he was escorted to the Speaker's chair during recesses and made to imitate the mocking bird and sundry of the feathery tribe. There be some who aver that it was Fulkerson's whistling that resulted in his undoing—that he

"whistled himself out of Congress." However, he figures that there were too many Democratic votes cast in his district and does not take any stock in this allegation. Incidentally, while serving in the Fifty-ninth Congress as a result of the Roosevelt landslide in Missouri, Fulkerson was something of an insurgent, refusing to tie himself down to the dictate of the House machine. While he would much prefer being attorney general of Missouri, for which he was a candidate last year, Fulkerson says he is doing very nicely as it is and wasting no time worrying over his defeat, especially in view of the fact that the race was very close.—Arthur Wallace Dunn, in St. Louis Star.

More Effective.

"The police force of London had a hard time dispersing the suffragettes."

"What did they want to call out the police for?"

"Because the suffragettes were making trouble."

"Why didn't they call out a mouse?"

—Houston Post.



## CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.



## THE RHYME OF THE LAZY CHICK.

Did you ever hear about the chick—  
That was yellow and fat, but very small—  
That was too lazy to run and play,  
And never to work at all?

She sat up at the peep of  
The dawn with the dewdrops  
And nothing to frolic with  
Darkness brought the  
Downy chicks,  
And back as hard as they  
Could with all their  
Chickens should,  
Talking about  
Things and was on to  
The scolded and talked;  
And a word she'd say,  
"Dear, I must punish  
For him the whole day  
To learn to work at all,  
He is grown, what will he  
Do?"

It was a long, long day for our little  
friend,  
It really seemed a week or so.  
It wasn't much fun to frolic about  
When you are sad and hungry, you  
know.

And that night, all warm 'neath Speckle's  
wing,  
He made up his mind that every day  
He would do his very best  
To learn to work as well as play.  
—B. Brown, in Home Herald.

## A HORSE IN A MARSH.

One night while in the country we  
were suddenly awakened by the bark-  
ing of our dog. We got up and in-  
vestigated, but could find nothing  
wrong, so we thought that perhaps he  
had heard some one passing on the  
road, and again retired for the night.

The following morning we again  
searched the barnyard and found that  
the horse was missing. We looked  
all over the grounds and finally found  
him stuck in the swamp.

There were four men staying at the  
house, and they tried to raise the  
horse, but all their efforts failed, for  
he sunk deeper and deeper. They  
then went across the road and asked  
our neighbor for assistance. He,  
knowing the danger of the swamp, re-  
sponded immediately, bringing with  
him his son, a team of horses and two  
of his boarders. The eight men  
worked for about three hours, being  
in great danger themselves of slipping  
into the marsh or of being hurt by  
the horse, who was fighting all the  
while for liberty. At last their ef-  
forts were rewarded, for they suc-  
ceeded in getting a rope under his  
legs, and with one vigorous pull  
raised him enough to put a plank  
under him. Then, with another pull,  
he was raised on firm ground.

The horse was so weak when he  
was taken out of the swamp that he  
could hardly stand, but after good  
treatment for two or three days he  
was himself again. Every precaution  
has been taken to prevent him from  
ever getting in there again. —Mar-  
guerite E. Bender, in the New York  
Tribune.

## THE CAT AND THE THRUSH.

This is a true story of how a Per-  
sian cat protected a thrush on her  
nest from the attacks of other birds.  
The cat's name is Buff, and she is  
the pride of the residents of Broad  
street, Middletown, N. Y. The owner  
of the cat has several shade trees in  
which robins, bluejays, orioles,  
thrushes and an occasional wren hold  
forth. The other day there was a  
great commotion in the trees, and in-  
vestigation showed that a cuckoo was  
attacking a nesting thrush.

Buff was seen climbing craftily up  
the limbs, and her presence only  
added to the confusion. Her owner,  
thinking she was after the birds, gave  
her a sound cuffing. The next morn-  
ing there was another rumpus in the  
trees and the cat was seen lying along  
a limb in easy reach of the setting  
thrush.

The cuckoo, which is too lazy to  
build himself a nest, drives less war-  
like birds from their nests and takes pos-  
session. This cuckoo was screaming  
away at the thrush and cat, and the  
jays were chattering in anger, which  
a pair of glasses held by the gardener  
clearly showed was directed at the  
thrush. The cuckoo flew directly at  
the thrush and the cat made a sweep-  
ing thrust at him. Several times the  
bird renewed the attack, but each  
time the glasses showed that Buff  
drove him off. The cat retained her  
position until the intruder gave up  
the attempt, and then she withdrew  
to the lawn.

For the last three mornings the cat  
has kept watch over the thrush, and  
for two days has remained on duty  
while the mother thrush flew away

for food for the five young thrushes  
that have been hatched. Other birds  
have discovered that the cat means  
no harm and they fly close about her  
when she is on the limb beside the  
thrush's nest. —Madeline W. Lane, in  
the New York Tribune.

## DRIVING POLAR HARES.

A story is told of a boy in New-  
foundland who had two polar hares  
which he one day determined to har-  
ness to his sled. Gentle as the crea-  
ture is, it had the utmost dislike of  
being touched and so it was a long  
and tiresome struggle for Master Tom  
before he could induce the hares to  
submit to even the simple harness he  
had contrived. But at last it was ac-  
complished, and with little Miss An-  
nie, his three-year-old sister, on the  
sled, Tom touched his pets with his  
whip.

Poor little Annie must have  
thought that she had suddenly  
alighted upon the tail of a comet go-  
ing about a hundred miles a minute,  
for no sooner had the hares felt the  
whip than with one accord they  
started. And, as the hare has but  
one way of going, and that is with a  
jump, and as Tom, to help matters,  
had headed them down a pretty steep  
hill, the sled was jerked from under  
Annie, who, being something like a  
very chubby barrel in shape, went  
after the flying hares as fast as she  
could roll, over and over.

The sled, too, being free at the sec-  
ond jump of the frightened animals,  
was also on its way down the incline,  
while Tom, who had started to run  
after Annie, lost his balance, sat  
down, and was skimming along in  
the rear of the procession.

When Tom picked Annie out of  
the snowdrift, she was breathless  
with indignation and fright, but, re-  
covering herself in a few moments,  
declared with an emphatic stamp of  
her foot, "Don't want to yide yabbits  
any more." Nor did she have the op-  
portunity, for Tom never saw his  
hares again, they having concluded,  
no doubt, that they were not fitted  
for that kind of work. Tom would  
have tried the experiment again with  
Annie's pet hare, but this that posi-  
tive young lady refused to allow, tel-  
ling her pet afterward in confidence  
that he was "a very nice yabbit, but  
not a good horsey." —Frank H. Sweet,  
in Northwestern Christian Advocate.

## RAGS.

Rags is the famous dog of a New  
York engine company. She was  
found in quarters on the return of the  
company from a fire on January 4,  
1905. It was a terrible night, and a  
heavy snowstorm raged. One of the  
firemen heard the pup crying, and  
found her in the drawer of the house  
watch-desk, covered with a ragged  
coat. So she was promptly christened  
"Rags."

No one ever knew who put the dog  
in the drawer of the desk. Certainly  
she could not have got there herself,  
for she was only three weeks old and  
not able to walk. She was too young  
to drink milk out of a saucer, so the  
fireman who found her went to a drug  
store and bought a baby's milk bottle.  
After a good deal of coaxing, Rags  
was induced to take to the nipple and  
to get her nourishment in that way.  
Just then a new alarm rang in. Rags  
was placed back in the desk, and  
when the men returned next morning  
at 8 o'clock Rags was fast asleep,  
with the empty milk bottle beside her.  
For the next three weeks the desk  
drawer was the only place in which  
she would go to sleep, Alfred M.  
Downes tells us in an article which he  
has written about "Fire-Fighters and  
Their Pets."

Now she sleeps in the stall of Jim,  
the engine horse, and they are fast  
friends. If Rags doesn't go out of  
the stall when the alarm rings, Jim  
will take her up by the back of the  
neck and run to the pole with her.  
When visitors come to the house and  
give the horses sugar, Rags will seize  
hold of them by their clothing, and  
so present Jim's claims to the first  
and biggest lump. Should the horse  
drop the sugar, Rags will retrieve the  
lump, bring it to Jim in his stall, and  
place it so that he can reach it.

Rags has a long line of houses on  
her list, on Twelfth street, where she  
can go at any time for her meals.  
She does not attend fires, but stays in  
the house, on the desk, until the com-  
pany returns, and she will allow no  
one to enter unless he is in a uniform  
of some kind. The telegraph boys in  
the neighborhood found this out, and  
when the company calls out they go  
in to see Rags, who thinks they must  
be all right, because they wear a uni-  
form. —Home Herald.

## Farm Topics

## EXAMINE THE COLLARS.

New collars should be examined  
every day until they are found to fit  
the horse's neck perfectly. A fat  
horse often shrinks in the first few  
days' work sufficiently to make the  
collar fit him badly and produce ser-  
ious injury. —Farmers' Home Jour-  
nal.

## POOR INVESTMENT.

One of the poorest investments a  
man can make is to buy poor tools.  
Get the best, and then give them the  
best of care. A man would hardly  
leave a sum of money along the fence  
row, yet when he leaves his tools un-  
protected in the field it amounts to  
the same thing. —Farmers' Home  
Journal.

## PRUNING.

I have an orchard that has been out  
ten years this fall, and it has never  
borne any yet. I desire to prune it as  
it needs it again. Would it do to  
prune it the present month? Please  
answer through your valuable paper  
and oblige. —E. D. H.

It is better to prune now than later;  
a month or two ago would have been  
better than now. We suggest that  
you experiment with root pruning  
some of your trees. That will hurry  
them into bearing. Cut off the roots  
with a sharp spade in a circle about  
five feet from the body of the trees. —  
Indiana Farmer.

## FATTENING THE PIG.

In these days the American pig  
makes a speedy journey from farrow-  
ing bed to scalding tub, and the aim  
of the judicious feeder is to add con-  
stantly to the flesh acquired while  
suckling, bringing the hog up to 250  
to 450 pounds as early and on as in-  
expensive feed as possible. The young  
animal will naturally put on weight  
more cheaply than an older one, and  
gains after ten months cost consid-  
erably more than those made earlier.  
A pig which is being fattened should  
gain from one to two pounds a day,  
and weigh, alive, 250 to 350 pounds  
when nine to twelve months old. —  
From Coburn's "Swine in America."

## TO FEED WITHOUT CHOKING.

There is much danger of choking  
cattle if small potatoes and apples are  
fed whole, and it is a big job to cut  
or mash them if a large quantity is to  
be fed.

It is perfectly safe to feed either to  
hogs or sheep in any kind of a feed  
trough, but not so with cattle. With  
the following method, however, they  
can be fed safely:

If two pieces of timber are put up  
just far enough apart so the animal's  
neck can be held between them, and  
a hole bored through at such a height  
that the cow will be prevented from  
raising its head up to a level with the  
body, there will be no danger of chok-  
ing. —J. S. Woodward, in the Indiana  
Farmer.

## HORSE FEEDING.

It is no doubt true that Americans  
feed their horses too much hay. It  
is common among horse owners to let  
horses stand to full mangers when  
not at work. But in London, the cab  
horses, for example, are given hay for  
but two hours a day, in the evening.  
At the end of two hours the mangers  
are cleared. Careful testing in de-  
creasing the timothy hay ration one-  
half has not shown that the horses re-  
quired any more grain than before  
to keep them in equally good condi-  
tion.

Horses do not need a heavy ration  
of alfalfa hay. Fed with grain, prob-  
ably ten or fifteen pounds of it is  
equal to a manger full of other hay.  
As they become accustomed to the  
alfalfa it may be increased a little  
and the grain decreased. It is a rich  
food and should not be used as freely  
as hays with less protein. —From Co-  
burn's "The Book of Alfalfa."

## GROWING DAIRY INDUSTRY.

The growth of this great industry  
is shown in the increase of dairy cows  
during the year from 1908 to 1909,  
as shown by the Agricultural Depart-  
ment. The increase of dairy cows is  
the year named is 626,000 in round  
numbers. We have already called at-  
tention to the work of the Illinois  
station in the dairy department  
where seventeen cows were kept on  
twenty acres of land at a net profit of  
\$50 per acre. Ensilage feeding and  
the silage system were employed in  
this. It is said that efforts at the  
station will be made to maintain one  
cow per acre by this system of feed-  
ing. The dairy industry will con-  
stantly increase soil fertility, while  
grain farming exhausts it.

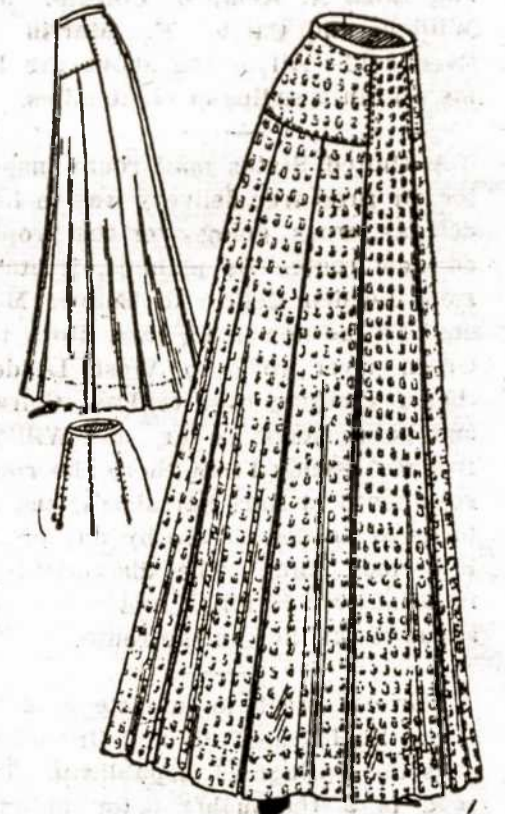
The State agricultural colleges are  
doing a great work through their  
dairy departments in the way of  
showing how soil fertility may be  
constantly increased by dairying. —  
Indiana Farmer.



New York City.—The shirt waist  
that is closed at the left of the front  
and made with a single revers is one  
of the latest and smartest. It will be  
greatly in vogue throughout the com-  
ing season, and it is equally appro-

## Box Pleated Skirt.

Every variation of the pleated skirt  
is to be found in the incoming styles,  
but the one that gives a suggestion  
of the yoke utilized in one way or  
another is a pronounced favorite. This  
model is so arranged as to provide  
unbroken lines at the front and the  
back when used with the yoke, and it  
allows a choice of such treatment or  
of the plain box pleated skirt. In the  
illustration one of the novelty suit-  
ings is finished with stitching, the  
color being the bronze which prom-  
ises to be such a favorite. Almost all  
suitings and all skirting materials are  
appropriate, however, as the skirt  
will be found just as well adapted to  
cashmere and similar materials of  
indoor wear as it is to the heavier  
suitings. It is made in walking  
length, and whether the yoke is used  
or not is stitched flat over the hips,  
doing away with all bulk at that  
point.



prate for the odd waist and for the  
grown. Linen is the material illus-  
trated, but such waists will be made  
from all waisting materials, silk and  
wool as well as linen and cotton,  
while the design is equally appro-  
priate for any simple dress made in  
shirt waist style, for cashmere and  
other materials of the season. The  
tucks are exceptionally becoming and  
the plain centre front with the revers  
gives a distinctively novel effect.

The waist is made with fronts and  
back. The back is tucked at the cen-  
tre. The fronts combine full length  
tucks with those that are stitched to  
yoke depth and are just becomingly  
full. The right front is faced and  
turned back to form the revers and  
pretty buttons are used as trimming.  
The sleeves are in regulation shirt  
waist style, finished with straight  
cuffs.

The quantity of material required  
for the medium size is four yards  
twenty-four, three and three-eighths  
yards thirty-two or two and one-  
eighth yards forty-four inches wide.

The skirt is made in six gores, but  
the seams are all concealed by the  
pleats. When the yoke is used, it is  
arranged over the side portions and  
its ends are concealed by the front  
and back pleats. The closing is made  
invisibly at the left of the back.





## EVENING.

There is only a star in the sky;  
On the wandering waters the breeze  
Dies away in the ghost of a sigh.

Over the meadow and marsh comes the cheep  
Of the frog—and a dream in the trees  
Are the wren and the robin asleep.

Now rises the moon like a frail  
Floating bubble just over the hill,  
At the far keening call of the quail.

All the dark brooding forest is still,  
Save the aspen so shyly astir,  
Or the hidden and hesitant rill.

Then the moon slowly wanes, and the gray  
Forest descends as softly as night,  
And the rivalst dreams on its way.

—William Griffith, in Hampton's Magazine.

## WHEN THE MIDNIGHT SPECIAL BROKE DOWN

By BERTHA BURNHAM BARTLETT.

The minister lifted his head from the desk where for five minutes it had rested. There was a tense expression in his usually trustful eyes, and a semblance of discouragement in the lines of his mouth. His voice, however, was very quiet as he spoke to the waiting committee.

"We've done the best we knew"—it was evident that he was trying to restore his own wavering faith in the Great Arbitrator—"we've done the best we knew and now we must accept the outcome whatever it may be. You say that the bank officials refuse to wait longer for what we owe them and—"

"I will read their letter again," Deacon Mayberry said slowly, a sigh following his words. "This is it—a cruel, though I daresay a businesslike letter: 'Trustees of Highland Church—As our ultimatum regarding your pecuniary indebtedness to this corporation we have the honor to make this proposal: if you will pay to this bank the sum of \$950 on or before Monday, the 24th inst., we will cancel your whole indebtedness of \$1000. Otherwise, this will serve as notice that, upon the aforesaid date, the property will pass into the possession of the Baker Brewery Company.'"

"It's an infamous thing," the minister said brokenly, "yet it is business. I suppose, as Deacon Mayberry says. They've given us three weeks' notice, and I suspect that they think they are generous to offer to throw off that \$50, but they don't know—they can't realize how cramped the people of this village of ours are. We've done our best—\$800 is what we have, isn't it, Brother Nutter?—but that won't save our church building—and Monday it will become a storehouse of the brewery!"

There was a smothered sob from the lips of the oldest man present.

"We have depleted our bank accounts, O Lord," he cried, falling upon his knees, "but there are so few of us—only twenty—and we're all so far from being blessed with this world's good that our all is very little. But we can't bear to think of this house of Thine, consecrated to Thee as it has been by seasons of prayer and by the ministrations of Thy servants, by the communion of Thy saints, by the baptism of Thy children and the last rites for our dead—we cannot bear to have it desecrated by the people who are so keen to gain possession of it. And yet, O Lord, Thy house is dearer to Thee than it is to us. Take Thou care of it. Help us on the morrow which seems to be ordained as the last day of our meeting here in the courts of Zion, to be trustful and to worship Thee. Amen."

The minister raised his hand in benediction, not trusting himself to speak, as the deacon finished, and the little company separated to their respective homes.

It was such a pitiful little household of faith. Situated in a rocky New Hampshire village, and somewhat removed from the centre of the town, it had seen its members drawn one by one away, until so few were left that services could not have been maintained had not an aged and redoubtable preacher tendered his ministrations free of charge; yet even so, the little church was sadly in debt, and as we have seen, was now to lose its edifice.

A solemn company it was, therefore, next morning, that, much as it had oftentimes gathered to weep around the body of some dear member, met supposedly for the last time in the little church.

Far different, however, was a group that met at the village tavern that morning. The "midnight special" had broken one of its driving wheels just as it was starting from the little town, and now, perched on the shoulders of the train, were thrust upon the hospitality of the place until the broken wheel could be replaced. Naturally, perhaps, the foreigners attracted the larger number of those who sought for entertainment outside of the comfortable walls of "midnight special."

"We've got to amuse ourselves somehow," declared one of the men who had tramped across from the siding where the big engine stood idly and suddenly, "we've got to have a little fun."

simple eloquence of the old minister. Then the contribution box was passed.

The pews wherein the drummers were seated were at the rear of the church, they having declined to sit farther forward, yet when the deacon reached the first seatful of the young men there was but a pitiful showing in the bottom of the box. A moment later, however, the deacon stood transfixed with amazement, incredulity and joy, as was returned to him filled to the brim with coppers, silver and one crisp \$5 bill.

Deacon Mayberry roused himself to take the box at last, walked to the table where he emptied it, and then with the air of one accustomed to receiving good gifts, returned to take the offering which the second seatful of strangers might have in readiness.

Again the box was filled, and again the deacon emptied it, returning for the third seatful to make their contribution, and then again for the fourth, who, as the others had done, filled the free-will offering box to more than overflowing.

There was solemnity in the faces of the young men, although, as they afterwards confessed, in their hearts was an almost irresistible desire to laugh at the very evident astonishment of the church folks.

And then as the minister knelt in prayer which was choked with sobs, and while with one accord the congregation emulated their pastor's example, falling into the attitude of prayer, the "drummers" stole softly from the building.

"We'd best make tracks for that train," ejaculated Bob Needham as they reached the sidewalk.

Dave Taylor laughed almost hysterically. "We'd better make a driving-wheel," he said, with a woeful attempt at punning. "Oh, I say! It's moving; sprint!"

They did sprint. And the engineer, catching a glimpse of them striking across the fields, obligingly slowed up until the last one had gained a footing upon the steps or platform of the train.

At the church all was soon commotion. Some one tried to follow the strangers but gave up the attempt when the "sprinting" began, and returned to help count the donation left by their erstwhile guests.

Deacon Mayberry announced the amount of the offering. It was one hundred and sixty-five dollars and seventeen cents. Then, with quivering lips and trembling voices the congregation stood to sing and to receive the benediction.

The tune was Ware. Ah, how many times that little congregation had sung it, yet never before with the spirit which that day characterized the singing, broken though it was by the emotion which could not be controlled.

All things are Thine; no gift have we, Lord of all gifts, to offer Thee; And hence with grateful hearts to-day Thine own before Thy feet we lay.

Thy will was in the builder's thought; Thy hand unseen amidst us wrought; Through mortal motive, scheme and plan, Thy wise eternal purpose ran.

In weakness, and in want, we call On Thee for whom the heavens are small. Thy glory is Thy children's good, Thy joy Thy tender fatherhood.

Oh, Father! deign these walls to bless; Make this the abode of righteousness; And let these doors a gateway be To lead us from ourselves to Thee.

The church-folk never learned the identity of their visitors, although the fact of their being drummers somehow reached their ears and from that day no member of the little church—which from that time entered upon a new era of prosperity, gathering recruits for their Master's service from the byways of the town—ever

failed to pray for the commercial travelers of the land. Nor is it beyond belief that this may account for the existence of the association known as the "Gideons," which counted among its early members fourteen of the "boys" who in God's providence, were the means of saving the Highland meeting house from becoming brewery property.—Congregationalist.



Metal shavings and concrete constitute a new paving material.

Milk is now sterilized by exposing it to the ultra violet rays of a mercury vapor lamp. The chemical composition of the milk is unchanged by the treatment.

A pneumatic milk can is a novel device to insure that milk reaches the consumer in the condition that it leaves the dairy. The can is filled, compressed air, previously sterilized, is pumped into it, and the cover is locked.

An unusual means has been devised for cooling the rooms of the Railroad Club on the roof of a downtown office building. A glass covering has been built above the roof proper and over this a stream of water is kept continually running. The water is drawn off in copper leaders. The scheme has proved effective, for the water not only prevents the roof from becoming hot, but it sounds cool as it trickles down the leaders.—New York Sun.

The statement is made on the authority of the Railway Age Gazette, that with the exception of about 127 miles there is a chain of automatic block signals from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The lines thus equipped make a total of 3245 miles, including the Lehigh Valley Railroad, from Jersey City to Buffalo; the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway to Chicago; the Chicago and Northwestern Railway to Council Bluffs; the Union Pacific Railroad to Ogden, and the Southern Pacific to Oakland.

As a result of the visit of the Secretary of War and the Chief of Staff to the Isthmus, tentative plans for the defence of the Panama Canal have been adopted, which embody the following features: There will be three batteries, located on the islands lying from ten to fifteen miles from the entrance; and other batteries will be placed on the coast line near the mouth of the canal. Six miles up the canal will be a battery for the defence of the Pedro Miguel lock. There will be a military post at Culebra. The Atlantic entrance will be defended by batteries upon the range of hills commanding the entrance. Altogether, sixty of the highest power disappearing guns will be mounted.

## A Victorious Bear.

A large bear made its appearance in the pasture of Masahore, Soyo, Kitami Province, and attacked a three-year-old bull which was munching grass. The pair fought to the death—of the bull. Two other bulls which were separately roaming about the pasture were attracted by the struggle and as soon as their mate was killed sprang upon the bear with their united strength. A desperate fight ensued for some time, but unfortunately it resulted in the fall of the two revenging companions after they had sustained severe wounds from the paws of the wild animal. The triumphant monster then took the first bull in his grip and disappeared into the valley, leaving his telltale footprints in the soft earth.—Japan Advertiser.

## Chinese Secret Societies in Java.

An ordinance just passed in Java falls heavily upon Chinese secret societies in Netherland, India. A fine of 100 guilders or three months' rigorous imprisonment is the penalty for every Chinaman found in possession of secret society documents or emblems or caught wearing the distinguishing marks of these organizations.

Those who preside over the meetings of such societies, allow meetings to be held in their houses or fail to inform the authorities of such meetings being held incur similar penalties. The latter also fall upon Chinamen who recruit for these societies, supply them with money or give them help in any way.—Java Times.

Little four-year-old Alice was lying on the floor whining and crying steadily one afternoon, until her father's patience exhausted, he called out to her: "Oh, stop, Alice, and I'll give you a penny." Alice stopped only long enough to answer: "I can't stop for less than a nickel!"—Booth's School.—Delineator.



## CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM.

Heat a pint of sweet milk to nearly boiling and add gradually two heaping eggs mixed with two cups of sugar. Dissolve two-thirds cup of cocoa in a little hot milk and mix with the mixture. Return to double boiler, stirring constantly. Flavor with vanilla. When custard is cold, add about two quarts of partially frozen cream and beat thoroughly and repack in ice chest. Always use real Post.

## SPAGHETTI, TOMATO.

Put three-fourths of spaghetti into boiling water without breaking it up. Cook good and hard for one hour. It will be covered with boiling water. Move from fire, pour off the water and put into a vegetable dish with tomato sauce. Tomato Sauce: One can tomatoes, one large onion, four cloves, three bay leaves, one teaspoon salt; boil twenty minutes, then strain. Put back on the fire and as soon as it boils thicken with a large tablespoon of flour and two tablespoons of butter. Put this in a sauce boat, and when serving the spaghetti pour the tomato sauce over it and sprinkle one tablespoonful of parmesan cheese on top.—Boston Post.

## A GOOD COOKED DRESSING.

For the cucumber or bean salad, the ordinary French dressing is generally used, but here are directions for a good cooked dressing that can be kept a long time if bottled and set in a cool place: Beat the yolks of two eggs until lemon colored and thick, then add to them one-half teaspoonful each dry mustard and salt. Next beat in slowly one tablespoonful melted butter and six tablespoonfuls hot vinegar. Cook in a double boiler until thickened. When cold and just before serving a cupful of cream, sweet or sour, may be folded in. This dressing is specially adapted for use with lettuce, celery, strong beans, asparagus, and cauliflower. Pure cider vinegar is generally used in salad making.—New York Times.

## CHEESE SOUFFLE.

Melt an ounce of butter in a saucepan; mix smoothly with it one ounce of flour, a pinch of salt and cayenne, one-fourth of a pint of milk; simmer the mixture gently over the fire, stirring it all the time till it is as thick as melted butter; stir into it about three ounces of finely grated cheese. Turn it into a basin and mix with it the yolks of two well beaten eggs; whisk the whites to a solid froth and just before the souffle is baked put them into it and pour the mixture into a small round tin. It should be only half filled, as the fondus will rise very high. Takes about twenty minutes to cook it, and sufficient for six persons. Serve immediately in same dish with a napkin pinned around the dish.—Boston Post.



Jelly cake should have the edges pared off carefully to make it roll easier.

Whole peppers are better for seasoning soups and sauces than ground peppers.

For removing from the hands stains made by paring fruits and vegetables use oxalic acid.

Faded plush may be brightened by brushing it very lightly with a clean sponge dipped in chloroform.

For a refreshing dinner salad, toss white cherries, bits of orange and banana in French dressing and serve on lettuce leaves.

To make butterscotch mix four cupfuls of brown sugar, two cupfuls of butter and three tablespoonfuls of water and boil until crisp in water.

Do not wash colored clothes in the same water with all-white ones. This especially holds good if one happens to have table linen with colored borders.

After the weekly washing rub a little vinegar and spirits of camphor over the hands. This will keep the hands in good condition summer and winter.

To brighten the eyes take occasionally just before going to bed the juice of half a lemon in a small tumbler of water, without adding any sugar to it.

If you have a black gown that needs freshening, cleanse it thoroughly with clear black coffee, diluted with water and containing a little ammonia.

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Jurists are often impressed with the counsel, and all jurists desire to have some one to lean on, and nearly always select the lawyer with the best attitude. This often determines a case at law. You can not afford to give the impression that you are going way to either court or counsel on the opposite side. When you do that you lose the faith of the jury. Sometimes think a lawyer should be fifty per cent. better than the court."

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ey, who won 66 races in three months  
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10 years old. His income is now as  
much as a cabinet ministers'.

When a woman with an infant in  
her arms was detected in the act of  
stealing a shawl at a shop in Paris  
she pleaded that she was utterly des-  
titute, and had taken the shawl to  
keep the baby warm. But the latter  
proved to be a hollow tin doll contain-  
ing stolen articles.

A schoolboy of 13, named Paul  
Duard, whose one-act play was pre-  
sented as a curtain-raiser at the the-  
atre in Champigny-la-Bataille, France,  
shrugged his shoulders when the au-  
dience applauded him and explained  
that he only wrote when he felt bored  
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## EAST NORTHFIELD

Florine Lyman visited her parents  
last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Stebbins  
have returned to Brooklyn.

Joseph Colton is in town for a few  
days from Uncasville, Conn.

Mrs. Ropes has closed her house for  
the winter, and returned to Morris-  
town, N. J.

Dr. Julia S. Baright has returned to  
her cottage, and expects to be here  
for some months at least.

The PRESS is on sale at the Book-  
store and at the Northfield Hotel. Five  
cents a copy. Subscriptions also tak-  
en, one dollar a year.

Mrs. Charles Bradley of Westfield,  
and Mrs. George Selton of Camden,  
N. J., are visiting their brother, Rus-  
sell Long and family.

The exodus of summer residents is  
nearly completed. The Northfield ex-  
pects a limited number of visitors  
throughout the month.

Deacon and Mrs. Edw. Barber cele-  
brated their 45th wedding anniversary  
with their daughter, Mrs. Edgar Hol-  
man, at Fitzwilliam, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Asbury Gil-  
lette have sent out invitations to the  
marriage of their daughter Mary Lou-  
isa to Benjamin Henry Kidder on  
Wednesday, October 13, in Brooklyn.

Dr. and Mrs. Richard Smith were  
"at home" to their many friends last  
Monday evening at the house of their  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith.  
Felicitations were showered on the  
young couple.

Holton and Stone have sold their  
cottage on Birnam Road to Miss Maria  
Hillas of West Hoboken, N. J. Miss  
Hillas does not contemplate immedi-  
ate occupation herself, but will prob-  
ably use it summers.

Mrs. Julia Lyman has returned from  
a five weeks' visit among friends in  
Boston, Baldwinville and Melrose.  
Although Mrs. Lyman is 89 years of  
age, she had no difficulty whatever in  
making this trip alone.

The marriage of Ella Bertha Spen-  
cer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank  
Spencer, to Charles F. Bitters, was  
celebrated last Wednesday, October  
6, at 2.30 p. m. at the bride's home on  
Winchester Road. Rev. N. Fay Smith  
officiated. Invitations had been issued  
to the relatives and immediate friends  
of the young couple. After a short  
honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Bitters will  
take up their residence in Greenfield.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Breinig left yester-  
day for their home at Allentown,  
Pa., ending the 15th summer of their  
sojourn at their cottage "Rhue-Helm."  
The place consists of three cottages  
and about 15 acres of land on Chang  
Hill, at the junction of the Hinsdale  
and Ashuelot roads. Mr. Breinig is  
secretary and treasurer of the Allen-  
town Manufacturing Co., manufacturers  
of paints, colors, varnishes and  
everything in the line of wood finish-  
ing. The business was established in  
1855 and now finds its trade in the  
middle and southern states.

Elsie Celina Newton was united in  
marriage to John Richard Rawles of  
Springfield on Tuesday, October 5, at  
noon. Rev. N. Fay Smith officiated.  
The ceremony took place at the home  
of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo A. Newton,  
parents of the bride, in the presence  
of her immediate family. Grandfather  
Newton from South Vernon was able  
to attend. Mr. and Mrs. Rawles held  
an informal reception in the after-  
noon, and left town in the evening.  
They will be "at home" at 46 Main  
street, Springfield, after a short trip.  
Mrs. A. G. Moody's Sunday school  
class, of which Mrs. Rawles was a  
member, presented her with a large  
set of table ware and other useful ar-  
ticles.

"De reputation for a good disposi-  
tion," said Uncle Eben, in the Wash-  
ington Star, "is sometimes de result  
of plain laziness. When I hear 'bout  
a man who wouldn't hurt a fly I can't  
help thinkin' 'bout how hard it is to  
git close enough to a fly to do any  
damage."

Puck says: Only he is lord of  
riches who despises them, and he is so  
whether he has any or not.

## WARWICK.

C. H. Worden spent Sunday at  
home.

Rev. Mr. Emerson preached Sunday  
at the Baptist Church as a candidate.

Mrs. Sarah Stockwell is in North-  
field, the guest of Mrs. Julia Williams.

Mrs. Alfred Whittemore visited  
friends in Easthampton the past  
week.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
Charles Wetmore was buried Satur-  
day morning.

Miss Jennings, a school teacher, de-  
siring rest and change, plans to spend  
the winter with Miss Goldsbury.

Mrs. Sherman A. Houghton and  
Harriet have returned from a two  
weeks' visit to friends in Marlboro.

Baxter H. Worden has gone to En-  
field to take charge of the erection of  
a section of state road in that town.

Walter and George Kingsbury of  
West Swanzey, N. H., have been vis-  
iting their friends, Mr. and Mrs. F. O.  
Bennett.

Mrs. James Goldsbury leaves this  
week for Youngstown, Ohio, to spend  
the winter with her daughter, Mrs.  
Rena Metcalf.

Dr. Paul Goldsbury of Boston spent  
Sunday week with his aunt, Miss A.  
M. Goldsbury, and his mother, Mrs.  
James Goldsbury.

Mrs. Wright, on the Tannery Hill  
Road, is having a fine new barn built  
under the superintendence of her son-  
in-law, Mr. Fowle.

Pat Minnaugh, who formerly lived  
at Oaks and Felton's, and who joined  
the navy some time ago, is having a  
short furlough, and is visiting friends  
in town.

Miss Bernice Williams, who is a pu-  
pil in the Orange High school, has  
been taken very sick with pneumonia,  
and is not able to be moved home.  
She is attended by a trained nurse  
from Fitchburg.

Rev. John Graham, pastor of the  
Congregational Church, and his  
daughter, Margaret, attended the Con-  
ference at Conway as delegates from  
the church here. Afton Whittemore  
also attended Conference.

The tent meetings recently con-  
ducted by Rev. John Graham in New  
Bedford, Mass., under the direction  
of the City Mission Society, closed  
with a service in the hall of the  
Washington Club—the first religious  
service ever held in that hall. There  
was a full house, and an earnest  
meeting. Mr. Graham also conducted  
noon meetings in front of a large  
mill, which were well attended by the  
mechanics. Mr. Graham contributes  
to the attractiveness of his meetings  
by singing solos, accompanying him-  
self on a baby organ.

## THE FORTNIGHTLY.

On Monday afternoon the Fortnight-  
ly held the first meeting of the sea-  
son with a good attendance. Follow-  
ing routine business and the admis-  
sion of two members, Mrs. Ella C.  
Wilson explained the outline for the  
year's work as planned by the Liter-  
ary committee in a most helpful and  
interesting manner.

This meeting was honored by hav-  
ing as a guest Miss Jacobs, who sang  
beautifully several selections, giving  
great pleasure to all.

Mrs. Wilson opened the year's work  
by giving a sketch of the history of  
France for the first 1500 years. With  
enthusiasm and fluent description she  
gave a comprehensive bird's-eye view  
of the early centuries, making a hun-  
dred years seem as a day, and the  
sometime prosaic and dreary history  
as interesting as a romance and in-  
vesting even Caesar with a new sig-  
nificance.

Following the meeting tea was serv-  
ed by Mrs. W. W. Ooe and Mrs. Mae  
Perham, and social greetings ex-  
changed, all present seeming enthusi-  
astic for the good things promised in  
the coming year.

Remarks the Chicago Record-Her-  
ald: Every good looking young woman  
intends to go on the stage some  
time if it becomes necessary for her  
to do so.

## NORTHFIELD FARMS.

Mrs. Kenney is visiting relatives in  
Gill.

Mrs. E. C. Field has returned, to  
Somerville.

Miss Anna Merriman has returned  
from New York city.

Mrs. Bunker is visiting friends in  
Orange and Erving.

Mrs. Walter Bancroft is visiting her  
father, O. L. Leach.

Mrs. Holton of West Northfield has  
been visiting Mrs. Nye.

Leslie Arnes of South Deerfield is  
the guest of Norman Greenwood.

Mrs. Minnie Ward and son Arthur  
visited relatives in Brattleboro during  
the week of the Fair.

Earl Barnard came down from  
Brattleboro on Saturday for a few  
days' visit with E. E. Howes.

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